



OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

“WATERING FACILITY”

Landowner/Operator: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Legal description of practice location: SEC _____ T _____ R _____

OVERVIEW

A properly operated and maintained water trough or tank is an asset to your farm. This water trough or tank was designed and installed to provide storage and/or a facility to provide for the utilization of water by livestock. The performance life of this installation can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This practice will require you to perform periodic operation and maintenance to maintain satisfactory performance. The following recommendations will help you in performing adequate operation and maintenance.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Make sure all valves, floats, overflows, and drains are functional and in good working condition.
- Maintain all fences in good condition.
- Maintain the installed system for small animal escapes,
- Prevent livestock damage to system and system appurtenances,
- Maintain area adjacent to tank in good condition to prevent rutting, ponding, and erosion from livestock use.
- Maintain surface treatment for livestock footing.
- Maintain all coverings and protection for all pipelines and drainlines.
- Remove debris and silt accumulation, periodically.
- Immediately repair any vandalism, vehicular or livestock damage.

SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUR STRUCTURE

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CONTACT YOUR LOCAL NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE OFFICE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE YOU MIGHT NEED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR YOUR STRUCTURE.